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RAILROADS DEFINITELY REJECT "COLLECTIVE BARGAINS"

RAILROADS WILL REDUCE WAGES SOON

Fight To Finish Prophesied
Between Roads and
Labor.

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)
CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—A "finish fight"
between the railroads and their em-
ployees over the issue of collective
bargaining seemed inevitable today as
the railroads prepared to announce wage
reductions for laborers and the heads
of railway labor unions marshaled
their strength for a bitter fight to pre-
vent wage cuts.

Railroad executives today had de-
finitely rejected collective bargaining
as a method of arriving at wage
settlements. The plan of B. M. Jewell, president
of the railway department of the
American Federation of Labor, for con-
ference to discuss rules and work-
ing conditions was flatly rejected by
the American Association of Railway
Executives. More than 100 railway
heads from all parts of the country
attended the conference at which deci-
sion was reached to decline to par-
ticipate in such a conference.

Jewell, Frank P. Walsh, general
counsel for the railway brotherhoods
and other union leaders, have em-
phatically declared that they will fight
until the "fundamental principle" of
collective bargaining is accepted.
Railroads throughout the country
are reported today to be preparing to
post notices of wage reductions af-
fecting certain classes of employees,
chiefly unskilled laborers and track
workers. Employees are expected to
object and the dispute automatically
will come before the railway labor
board as a controversy between the
individual road and its employees.

"Nationalization of the roads in the
interest of consolidated labor unions,"
was the way the executives character-
ized the conference proposed by Jewell
in his plea to the railway labor board
on Wednesday. The executives de-
clared they were not opposed to labor or-
ganization but asserted that the po-
sition of the unions "raised the issue
of whether maintenance and increase
of the power of the national labor union
interest in the efficient and economical
operation of our transportation system."

Of its own volition the railway
board granted Jewell, as representative
of the employees, until March 10
to prepare his rebuttal. Evidence of
the brotherhood of maintenance of
way employees, clerks, firemen, oilers
and signalmen concerning alleged na-
tionalization of the roads will be heard by
the board on March 1.

MARSHAL SERVING WARRANTS

Deputy U. S. Marshal H. E. Sasse
of Hammond today received the first
batch of warrants to serve on indi-
cements against Lake county men by the
federal grand jury.
Twenty-two warrants were turned
over to him this morning and he at
once began planning his roundup of
offenders in Gary, Whiting and East
Chicago. Practically all of the men to
be arrested are for violations of the
liquor laws and live in the foreign
quarters of the cities named.

Bonds which have been set for the
men run as high as \$2,500. Where this
can be arranged satisfactorily on the
spot the men will not be taken into
custody, but will be allowed their lib-
erty until arraignment day, which
will probably be the second week in
March. Men who cannot furnish bond
will be taken to the Indianapolis jail
by the marshal.

The warrants call for none of the
"higher ups" of Gary, who have been
worried since investigators spent con-
siderable time in the city last fall.
Many of those men have been residing
easier since an unofficial report from
Indianapolis had it that the matters
under investigation had been deferred
for consideration by the April ses-
sion of the grand jury.

NEW YORK CENTRAL SUED FOR DAMAGES

Mrs. Elizabeth Sharkey of East
Chicago has brought suit in the Ham-
mond superior court against the New
York Central and Indiana Harbor Belt
railroads for damages because of in-
juries which she suffered in an acci-
dent Dec. 5. Mrs. Sharkey was rid-
ing in an automobile with her husband
on Michigan avenue, East Chicago.
When they reached the crossing over
the New York Central tracks, the ma-
chine was stopped to wait for a
freight train to pass. When the last
one had crossed the street, the plain-
tiff says that the watchman signalled
for them to come. They did so and
their car was hit by a switch engine.
Mrs. Sharkey asks for \$5,000. Her
attorney is Fred Barnett.

Did You Hear That

STATE fire marshals are headed to-
wards Hammond on an inspection trip
and you'd better clean up quick.

SCOTT SMITH of the Beta company
is in Oregon and California on a busi-
ness mission for the company.

ABOUT \$2,500 was realized at the
delinquent county tax sale at Crown
Point at a very mediocre sale.

MAT HILBRICH, who has the only
soft drink establishment in the town
in partnership with Pete Davis, de-
clares that business is more than good.

JOHN W. DYER is at Martinsville,
Ind., taking the baths there to re-
cuperate from his recent illness and is
getting along nicely.

GEORGE W. LAWRENCE, former
Lake county sheriff, has been in Lake
county this week from Urbana and
still the same old George.

The American Legion has been given
permission to use Room 2 at the
court house and will hold its first meet-
ing there next Tuesday evening.

REPRESENTATIVES of Valparaiso
churches met and formed law enforce-
ment organization. An executive com-
mittee will be named to keep in touch
with city and county officials.

JAMES PEYTON and George Wood-
ward, two Hammond negroes, have
been taken to the Indiana prison at
Jeffersonville to serve a sentence for
robbery.

WOODS & MARTIN, realty opera-
tors, have received many compliments
on the truth of their advertisement
calling attention to the need of an en-
larged business district in Hammond.

ABOUT that railroad sign in Peoria,
advertising "pants down, three dollars
a leg, pants free," it has had sufficient
publicity, but will give it another
shove.

AFTER looking for a house to rent
for over a year A. S. Cameron, supt.
of the Swift Fertilizer plant has at last
found one at Carroll and State line st.
It is a brand new bungalow.

THE big pump at the Lake Front sta-
tion has been resting ever since it was
shut down February 5. The old pump
has been carrying the load right along
and no one could tell the difference.

BILL HASTINGS says that this cold
spell was sent by the weather man just
to make those folks who want to Flori-
da think they were getting their mon-
ey's worth.

The proprietor of the Hegewisch sa-
rage has asked the Hammond police to
watch for his Ford touring car which
was stolen last night. Its Illinois li-
cense number was 233322.

MISS ROSE SUNBERG who stays at
the Alice Club, 150 Indiana ave., reports
the theft of a broadcloth coat with a
beaver collar. The coat was valued
at \$40.

GEORGE SIKOVITZ of Hammond
wanted for wife desertion here is in
Detroit, Mich., and deputy sheriff
Daugherty will go after and get him
today.

ATTY. FLOYD MURRAY had anoth-
er auto collision in Valparaiso this
week when the bumper of his car be-
came locked in the wheels of a Valpa-
raiso car. No one was hurt but the bumper.

MR. AND MRS. CARL BAUER, who
left for California last Monday have
arrived safely according to cards re-
ceived today. They will visit relatives
there.

CONSIDERABLE discussion has arisen
as to which really is the eighth amend-
ment since the "How Much Do You
Know" department published the ques-
tion the other day. Can any tell for
sure?

THE case of McLaughlin vs. Monon
Ry. suit for \$10,000 damages through
fire, brought in the Porter circuit
court was settled when the defendant
paid McLaughlin \$2,500 for his losses
this week.

SERGEANT Bob Cramer, former
Hammond recruiter, and Mrs. Cramer
arrived in Hammond this week for a
thirty-day furlough. Cramer is now
attached to the quartermaster supply
department at Camp Benning, Ga.

JUST to make Frank Martin squirm
like you are going to punch him one
in the ribs. Frank had enough of them
cracked last night in a boxing match
with Ruscoe Henstock at the Presby-
terian gym.

EVERY day or so the Green Line
stages a grand review of its rolling
stock along about five o'clock. It's not-
ing to see four and five cars come troop-
ing down Hohman street, all in a bunch.

JOHN J. FLOEG, a traveling sales-
man of Grand Rapids, Mich., had his
traveling bag shaving kit collar case
stolen while he was eating at the Ham-
mond hotel yesterday.

JOHNNY HYER in the south end of
town and his mother was giving him a
sound scolding about his unwashed
neck. "You know you haven't washed
your neck," said his mother. "Gee
whizz," said Johnny, a note of despera-
tion creeping into his voice. "What I
goin' to wear a collar?"

IRVING CHAYKEN has taken the
job as manager of Ed. Lipinski, Ham-
mond's promising boxer. The first
thing Chayken did was to take away
the "Kid" name and hang "Batling" up
in its place. Lipinski will probably
appear in the ring at East Chicago next
week.

BUT SIXTEEN, SHE IS CLASSED WITH FRITZ KREISLER



Erika Morini.

Although she is a scant sixteen
years of age, Erika Morini has by
her violin playing set the New
York musical world to using all
kinds of pleasing adjectives while
grouchily newspaper critics have
condemned to compare her favor-
ably with Kreisler, Heifetz and El-
man. Miss Morini is a Viennese
and a pupil of Sevcik. She made
her debut at the age of ten, playing
in the orchestra under the direc-
tion of Arthur Nikisch in Berlin.

Whiting Doctor Has Accident

Runs Down School Boy in
South Chicago With His
Automobile

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Albert Bredow,
6 years old, 10712 Avenue B, was killed
yesterday afternoon by an automobile
driven by Dr. Theo. Edward Whiting,
D.D., while at West One Hundred and
Fourth street and Ewing avenue. The
boy was going home from his school.
Dr. Whiting is the Standard Oil Co.
physician at its Whiting hospital. The
accident was unavoidable as the boy ran
in front of the car.

WATCH FOR THEM!

In Monday's issue of The Times will
appear an important advertisement.

It will be the first of a series of full
page discussions of the present busi-
ness stagnation which might be sum-
med up under the caption, "How Your
Income May Be Assured." The first
page takes up "How One Man Gets the
Money He Lives on" and it brings out
in a forcible manner the buying circle
made up of "you," the retailer, "the
jobber" and "the manufacturer." It
starts at "you" and ends at "you" if it
can really be said to start and end at
any set place.

"When you buy, buying activity
moves around the circle and comes
back to you. When you stop—every-
thing stops." Is an important state-
ment of fact which heads the argu-
ment. Then follows a logical dis-
cussion of the theme.

The series will prove powerful argu-
ments to thousands of people of the
Calumet region, who have curtailed
buying because of high prices. Prices
have been lowered, but they wait for
still lower prices, which would prob-
ably mean financial ruin for many if
accomplished. In this connection a
later page of the series is timely in
its discussion of "What are Fair
Prices?"

Watch for the first advertisement of
the series and follow them to the end.
They point the way to the return of
prosperous conditions.

TARIFF BILL TO CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The tem-
porary tariff bill, passed by the senate
last night, is expected to go to con-
ference today and to reach the pres-
ident late this week.

The president has indicated to mem-
bers of congress that he intends to
veto the bill.

The president is expected to make
the veto message the vehicle for an
attack upon the republican tariff pol-
icy and for a statement of his own
views on not only the question of
tariff, but on the remedies which
should be adopted by congress to meet
the present situation caused by the
drop in prices in farm products.

Alexander McLeod has filed \$250
damages against Charles A. Reilly, because
of an automobile collision which oc-
curred at Madison, Ill., September 8.
The plaintiff says he stopped his car as far
as he could to one side of the road and
that Reilly came at a reckless speed and
collided with the standing machine. R.
Thinkham is attorney for the plain-
tiff.

SCENT A MURDER MYSTERY

Whether a murder was committed in
a lonely house near Calumet park at
3 o'clock last night is the object of an
investigation which is being made this
afternoon by Chief Joseph Nitz of the
West Hammond police and Chief Spe-
cial Agent Ben Strong of the I. H. B.
railroad police.

The investigation resulted from a
strange story told Mr. Strong this
morning by a freight conductor who
claimed to be passing the house near
Calumet park last night.

Long talking was heard as he ap-
proached. When he was in front of
the building seven or eight shots were
fired in rapid succession.

A woman screamed "My God, what
did you do that for?"

There was a brief silence. Then a
man's voice replied: "I said I was go-
ing to kill him and I did."

That was all the conductor heard.
He caught his train and later tried to
get hold of authorities to send to the
lonely place, but did not succeed. As
soon as he quit work this morning he
visited the office of Chief Strong and
told his story.

Railroad police, who were in the vic-
inity were ordered to visit the house.
They did so, but received no answer
when they knocked at the doors. As
they did not dare force an entrance
they reported back to Mr. Strong, who
then took the matter up with Chief
Nitz of West Hammond. They left at 2
o'clock this afternoon for Calumet
park, determined to break down the
door if they also received no answer
to their summons for admission.

ACCUSED OF SELLING FAKE CERTIFICATES

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—For selling cer-
tificates of stock in a fake bank which
he said was located at Griffith Ind.,
I. C. Willis, 1125 Alameda street, Chi-
cago, is being held at Chicago on a
charge of embezzlement.

Last December Willis is said to have
approached A. L. Salsman, president of
the Salsman Engineering company with
an offer to purchase stock from him.
Salsman provided Salsman took stock in
the Griffith Savings bank. Salsman
bought \$5,000 worth of certificates and
later learned that there was no such
bank at Griffith. Yesterday he caused
the arrest of Willis.

It is said that Willis has been con-
nected with other similar deals with
Chicagoans which involve thousands
of dollars. He protests that he thought
the securities which he sold were good
as gold.

BANDITRY ON NORTHERN PACIFIC

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 18.—Arrests
had been made up till 1 o'clock this
morning of the bandit who boarded the east
bound North Coast limited of the Nor-
thern Pacific Railway last night at
St. Cloud, Minn., held up three men in
charge of the mail car, shot and prob-
ably fatally injured L. E. Strong, 53,
when he attempted to prevent the hold
up, took currency and negotiable bonds
estimated at hundreds of thousands of
dollars from registered mail sacks and
escaped as the train entered Minneap-
olis.

Strong was rushed to the General
hospital where it was said early this
morning that his condition was critical.
The holdup occurred near Bailey,
Minn., a station on the Northern Pacific
railroad which is about thirty-five miles
northwest of Minneapolis.

POLICE ACT AS SAMARITANS

The call of Peter Auligen, chief of
Hammond police for aid for a destitute
family on Calumet avenue, is meeting
with a generous response.

Yesterday a contribution sheet was
started at the police station and prac-
tically everybody who visited the place
donated money. The money, which
amounted to \$28 was used in paying
the rent for the family. Clothing
and food have been donated and a
consignment of groceries will be taken
to the home today.

A YEAR AGO IN SPORTS



SMUGGLES SAWS TO FATHER IN JAIL



Miss Verner Dorsett.

Miss Verner Dorsett, a young
Atlanta, Ga., girl, was recently in-
dicted by the Campbell County
grand jury for having aided in the
delivery of her father and four
other prisoners at the Campbell
County jail. She frankly admits
having smuggled saws in the
prison. Love for her father, an
aged moonshiner, sentenced to
serve two years, was the motive
which led her to risk her own lib-
erty in a successful attempt to li-
berate him. Now, her father
saved, she herself faces a prison
term.

J. K. Reppa To Run For Mayoralty

E. Chicago City Controller
Will Oppose Mayor
McCormack

J. K. Reppa, president of the East
Chicago State Bank and city con-
troller of East Chicago, has tossed his
hat in the ring and will be a candi-
date for the office of mayor of East
Chicago, subject to the primaries in
May.

Mr. Reppa came to East Chicago
from Whiting in 1907 to accept a po-
sition with the First National Bank of
East Chicago as a bookkeeper. It
was later promoted to assistant cas-
sioner of the Citizens Bank of Indiana
Harbor and from there went to the
First Calumet Trust and Savings Bank
to accept a position as cashier.

Besides being interested in the
banking business Mr. Reppa has found
a great deal of time to devote to the
interests of the city of East Chicago,
where he at present holds down the
office of city controller to which office
he was appointed by the present
Mayor Leo McCormack.

DEPUTY SHERIFF BILL APPROVED

House Passes Measure
Which Sidetracks State
Constabulary

INDIANA STATE CAPITOL, Feb. 18.
—The state constabulary bill suffered
a relapse with the passage of the Ratts
bill increasing the number of deputy
sheriffs in the state. Charges that
Senator Oscar Ratts introduced the bill
as a direct blow at the Baxter state po-
lice bill were made in a note on the floor
of the senate and the bill passed by a
vote of 29 to 14. The Ratts bill
sweeping in its provisions that sheriffs
may appoint as many deputies as they
see fit in any emergency, pay them \$4
per diem, while serving and draw the
money for their salaries out of the gen-
eral county fund. The money, which
may be used to come from the sheriff's
own salaries.

"ROUGHNECKS" AS DEPUTIES

"The average decent citizen will not
serve as a deputy sheriff to oppress the
laboring men," said Senator Nedji.
"Sheriffs swear in roughnecks, who
ought to be in jail themselves, to in-
terfere with any kind of labor dispute,"
he added.

"Did your Lake county sheriff appoint
roughnecks on his posse?" asked Sen-
ator Ratts.

"He did in some cases," replied Sen-
ator Nedji. "I know of sheriffs in
other counties that have done the same
thing."

Machine Hits Woman But Does Not Stop

Mrs. William McPherson, who lives at
Granger, Ind., was badly bruised at
Rohrerdaale last night when an auto-
mobile crashed into the rear end of
the wagon in which she and her hus-
band were riding.
They were driving a horse and
wagon east on Indiana's boulevard
at 5:20 o'clock. At 11th street, an
automobile approached from behind
and the driver evidently did not see
the lantern which was hanging on
the wagon. The crash threw Mrs.
McPherson to the pavement. She was
taken to the Rohrerdaale police sta-
tion where she received medical at-
tention. She had bad bruises on her
shoulders, back and hip, but was able
to proceed on her way later.

Extra!

(BULLETIN)
ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Feb. 19.—
Announcement of the appointment of
Charles Evans Hughes as secretary of
state was made today by President-
elect Harding after a conference with
Mr. Hughes that lasted all forenoon.

(BULLETIN)
INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 19.—Unre-
gulated private banking among foreign-
ers in the Calumet region will be
stopped if a bill introduced today by
Senator Holmes passes. The bill makes
it unlawful for individuals or associa-
tions to carry on banking business, and
provides a penalty. Senator Holmes
said that foreigners have the habit of
intrusting their funds to others instead
of placing their money in banks, and
that very often they are swindled out
of their savings.

(BULLETIN)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—President
elect Harding informed Representative
Murphy of Ohio in a letter received
today that he had tendered a cabinet
post to Harry M. Daugherty.

(BULLETIN)
CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 19.
Charles A. Shane, 35, was shot and
killed today by Patrolman Silas Rod-
gers when Shane and Byrl Stacy, a
14-year-old companion, resisted arrest
for the alleged theft of a traveling
bag. Shane fired upon the patrolman,
one shot passing through his left arm.
The patrolman returned the fire, empty-
ing his revolver.

(BULLETIN)
MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 19.—A lone
bandit today held up and robbed the
cashier of the State Bank of Stock-
holm, Wis., of \$4,000 in currency,
making good his escape by crossing on
the ice from the Wisconsin side of the
Mississippi river to the Minnesota side
where he entered a waiting automobile
and was driven away by an accomplice.

(BULLETIN)
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 19.—Two
young bandits held up a woman in the
heart of the South St. Louis industrial
district, beat her with their fists, and
escaped with \$2,000. The woman, Mrs.
Anna Gesich, was taking the money to
her husband, a saloon keeper.

(BULLETIN)
DETROIT, Feb. 19.—Twenty-five
persons were injured in a panic that
followed a fire which broke out in a
street car at St. Aubin and Adams st.
today. Eight persons are in receiving
hospitals in a serious condition.

HAMMOND MAN TRIES BANDITRY

His Attempt Lands Him in
Chicago Police Station
Last Night

Edward Schulze, whose home is on
East State street, Hammond, made an
unsuccessful attempt to rob the Com-
monwealth Watch and Jewelry com-
pany, 325 West Madison street, Chi-
cago, yesterday, but was captured by
police after an exciting chase in
which hundreds of office workers join-
ed. Two other men, who were with
him, escaped in an automobile.

They stopped their car in front of
the store and on entering ordered the
proprietor, Louis M. Shapiro, to open
the safe. He protested to have forgot-
ten the combination and the men
forced him and drew a leather belt
tight around his neck. At this juncture
a watchmaker, whom the bandits had
overlooked began to call for help.
Police came and Schulze's arrest fol-
lowed.

Hammond police looked up Schulze's
home today, but did nothing against
him. His wife said she had lived in
Hammond since July, but that her
husband had not worked steady at
anything. She said he had been doing
"odd jobs" to make a living.

DID YOU GET YOURS?

The Home Service section of the Red
Cross wants to know how many Ham-
mond men while serving in the army
subscribed for liberty bonds, paid for
them out of their allotments and then
did not receive them.

The finance office of the war depart-
ment is holding 4,800 liberty loan
bonds of the second, third and fourth
issues which were subscribed for in
this manner. Delivery of the bonds
in most cases has been impossible be-
cause proper shipping instructions
have never been received from the
men who purchased them.

The finance office also has 6,600 or-
iginal discharge certificates, which
have been sent in by ex-service men
in support of claims for travel pay-
ments and arrears of pay. The office
has no mailing address for the re-
turn of these papers.

The home service section of the Red
Cross in Hammond will gladly assist
any men who have not received their
liberty bonds or had their discharge
papers returned. Both are valuable
and will well repay the visit to the
office in the court house to make the
claim.

Tells How Emissary From Wilson Came To Berlin In 1919.

(BULLETIN)
(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The white
house today refused to confirm or
deny the statement made by Dr.
Mathias Erzberger, that President
Wilson had promised Germany Ameri-
can credits if Germany signed the
treaty of Versailles.

"The White House ignores absolute-
ly the statement of Dr. Erzberger, de-
spite the announcement that it would be
ignored and one high official charac-
terized Dr. Erzberger's statements as
"merely more German propaganda."

Some officials said that it appeared
that Germany was attempting to dis-
credit President Wilson in the closing
days of his presidency and at the
same time striving to use every effort
to curry favor with the incoming ad-
ministration.

BY FRANK E. MASON
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BERLIN, Feb. 19.—Dr. Mathias
Erzberger, former minister of finance,
former leader of the centrist party
and author of the famous "Treaty resolu-
tion" in the Reichstag during the
war, declared today that President
Wilson promised Germany American
credits if she would sign the peace
treaty.

In the spring of 1919, according to
Dr. Erzberger, President Wilson sent
Ellis Loring Dredel from Paris to Ber-
lin as a secret messenger. According
to the German official, Mr. Dredel was
instructed to hold confidential con-
ferences with German officials and to
hold out to them the promise of
American credits as a reward if
Germany would sign and accept the
Treaty of Versailles.

It was through Dredel that Berlin
secured the first information as to the
peace conditions. Dr. Erzberger said
that he saw Mr. Dredel in 1919 and
the terms of the treaty, and he
promised that if Germany would stand
by President Wilson by accepting the
conditions he had succeeded in getting
the allies to accept, he would stand
Germany in helping France with her
reconstruction.

Several weeks before he had been
handed the Versailles terms and what
there was a feeling of great anxiety
here concerning their probable nature.
Mr. Dredel, accompanied by another
American whose name at this moment
I do not recall, visited me and Col-
onel Brockdorff-Rantzau," said
Erzberger.

Mr. Dredel said he was instructed
by President Wilson to come to Berlin
and that he wished to explain in be-
half of Mr. Wilson how hard the presi-
dent had labored to secure a just
peace for Germany.